

STATE OF HAWAI'I DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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Committee: House Lower & Higher

Education

Department: Education

Person Testifying: Dr. Christina M. Kishimoto, Superintendent of Education

Title of Bill: HB 1070 RELATING TO EDUCATION.

Purpose of Bill: Provides that a public school shall not be required by the Department of

Education to expend its own school funds to maintain any

geographically disadvantageous land on or adjacent to its property.

Department's Position:

The Hawaii State Department of Education (HIDOE) does not support HB 1070 as it contradicts established HIDOE policy and is inaccurate as schools are not required to maintain adjacent lands not under the jurisdiction of the HIDOE.

The HIDOE utilizes a tiered approach to maintain our campuses. Established policy dictates Schools utilize custodial forces to conduct routine maintenance including landscape maintenance and more difficult tasks are the responsibility of the Facilities Maintenance Branch.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony on this bill.

The Hawaii State Department of Education seeks to advance the goals of the Strategic Plan which is focused on student success, staff success, and successful systems of support. This is achieved through targeted work around three impact strategies: school design, student voice, and teacher collaboration. Detailed information is available at www.hawaiipublicschools.org.



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Testimony for LHE on 2/12/2019 2:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Melodie Aduja	O`ahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawai`i	Support	No

Comments:

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Benjamin Parker school should not have to pay for the auawai/stream behind it's campus. THE DOE should be paying for it.

thank you, Belinda Ayson Parent of students and Vice President of Parker Ohana